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- X A Response to Office Action (6 pgs.) and "Appendix A" (1 sheet);
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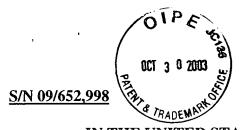
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## RESPONSE

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In response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2003, Applicant responds as follows:

## In the Claims

Claims 1 - 12 (cancelled)

- 13. (currently amended) An array of capacitors, comprising:
  - a first bottom capacitor plate;
  - a second bottom capacitor plate;
  - a third bottom capacitor plate;
- a contact between said first bottom capacitor plate and said second bottom capacitor plate, the contact downwardly extends from a vertical height above a top of the first bottom capacitor plate;
  - a trench between said second bottom capacitor plate and said third bottom capacitor plate;
- a common top capacitor plate over said first bottom capacitor plate, said second bottom capacitor plate, and said third bottom capacitor plate, wherein said top capacitor plate extends toward said contact at a first level within said array, the top capacitor plate includes a lateral clearance opening at the first level around the contact and does not vertically descend between the contact and any each of the first, second and third bottom capacitor plates and the contact, and wherein said top capacitor plate lines a side of said trench and further lines a bottom of said